

NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 28TH OCTOBER 2018

ALL SAINTS DAY – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, 1st November - Masses will be celebrated at 12 noon & 7 pm. There will also be a whole school Mass celebrated here at St Joseph's at 9.30 am. *All are welcome.*

ALL SOULS DAY

Friday, 2nd November - We commemorate all the faithful departed. Prayers for the dead have been part of the Church's history since its earliest days. Masses will be celebrated at 12 noon & 7 pm.

BLESSING OF GRAVES – SATURDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER

Purley Burial Ground	1 pm
St Michael's Graveyard	1 pm
Pangbourne Hill Cemetery	1.30 pm
<u>BLESSING OF GRAVES – SUNDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER</u>	
Henley Road Cemetery	3 pm

MASS FOR DECEASED & RECENTLY BEREAVED

On Saturday, 1st December, the 10 am Mass will be offered up for the recently deceased and bereaved. *Everyone is welcome to attend.*

Fr Peter

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 28TH OCTOBER – SUNDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER

Sunday, 28th October	8.30 am	Deceased members of the Rato/Rodrigues family RIP
<i>Exposition following both Masses</i>	10.30 am	Filomena Lobo RIP
Monday, 29th October	NO MASS	
Tuesday, 30th October	12 noon	Dominic Clark's Intentions – <i>Foundation Mass</i>
Wednesday, 31st October	12 noon	People of the Parish
Thursday, 1st November	9.30 am	St Paul's School Mass (<i>in church</i>)
ALL SAINTS, solemnity	12 noon	Steven McCreight RIP
	7 pm	Rosemary Emms RIP
Friday, 2nd November	12 noon	People of the Parish
ALL SOULS	5 pm	Reading Marian Prayer Group
	7 pm	Deceased members of the parish
Saturday, 3rd November	10 am	Euri Kristopher Caspi RIP
Sunday, 4th November	8.30 am	Ben Caspi RIP
<i>Exposition following both Masses</i>	10.30 am	Michael Heneghan, Martin & Kathleen Gaynard & John Nevin RIP

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10 am Mass.

ROSARY & CONFESSIONS Saturday: Following 10am Mass.

Responsorial Psalm:

"What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad".

COLLECTIONS FOR 21ST OCTOBER 2018

Gift Aid (Envelopes)	£255.13
Planned Giving (Envelopes)	£30.69
Loose Plate	£344.38
Gift Aid (via bank)	£780.00
Planned Giving (via bank)	£55.00
Candles	£48.33
World Mission Sunday	£369.34
Harvest Fast Day (CAFOD)	£21.32
Donation (Carmelites)	£10.00
First Holy Communion Subs	£25.00
Mass Stole Fees	£30.00
Funeral Expenses	£253.00
TOTAL	£2,222.19
<u>RUNNING TOTALS</u>	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£25.00
TF4 (Parish Events)	£51.69
TF9 ("On Fire!")	£1,940.72
Harvest Fast Day (CAFOD)	£787.40
Home Mission Sunday	£396.48
First Holy Communion Subs	£500.00
World Mission Sunday	£390.34

BAMENDA SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND

Every year, we have a special collection to support the projects driven by our friends in our twinned Diocese of Bamenda, Cameroon. Please ensure you see a copy of the Bamenda Newsletter next week to see the mutual benefits of our twinned relationship and how much your help is needed in these troubled times.

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER

- The counters will be Harry & Liz McSoley.
- The Eucharistic Minister for Oakwood Ward will be Harry McSoley. *If you do swap with another Eucharistic Minister, please remember to notify the Parish Office, so that we can publicise the correct information in the newsletter. Thank you.*

PRAYER REQUESTS

There is a Prayer Request box in the church porch into which you are invited to place any intentions that you may have. Each week during one of the Masses, Fr Peter will pray especially for those intentions. Please **DO NOT PUT ANY MONEY IN THE BOX.**

TEA & COFFEE

Please join us for tea & coffee which is served in the large hall after 10.30 am Mass on Sundays. *All are most welcome.*

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday Prayer Group will meet on 31st October at 9.30 am at St Joseph's. *All are welcome.*

THANKSGIVING MASS

For the canonisation of Archbishop Oscar Romero at 2 pm on Saturday, 24th November at the Cathedral, Portsmouth. All are welcome. *Further details in the church porch.*

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

On admission, all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic and if they wish to have Holy Communion or see a priest. All arrangements in RBH are 'Patient Led'. Royal Berkshire Hospital Chaplain: *Fr JP Little*. Mobile: 0739 189 6559. RBH: 0118 322 7105. Sunday Mass 4 pm. *Patients, staff & visitors welcome.*

Please pray for the sick and housebound:

Nora Colley, Richard O'Brien, Sheila Robinson, Ellen Knox, Pat Togher, Richard Owens, Bernadette Smeesters, Gerard Tomas, Jackie Hopper, Lya Turner, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Mary Hoban, Rita Boyce, Alayna Fernandes, Wendy Kelly, Mary O'Shea, Eileen Marshall, David Dye, Jean Trott, Stefen Griffiths, Tessie Joyce, Nina Aramo, Jo Boase and Maria. If you would like to add a name to this list or if you have any queries, please contact *Sheila* in the *Parish Office*.

ALTAR SERVERS' TREAT

Please keep Saturday, 17th November free for a proposed trip to the cinema followed by pizza afterwards. *Details to follow at a later date. Mike Tomas.*

NOVEMBER – HOLY SOULS

It is the custom at St Joseph's to offer petitions in remembrance of the holy souls. This year, during the month of November, there will be a basket in front of the Sanctuary to receive the petitions. ***Please do not place any offerings in the basket.*** Any such offerings should be referred to *Sheila* in the *Parish Office*. The following seven designated Masses will be offered in November for the departed members of families, parishioners and friends:

1	Friday, 2 nd	7 pm
2	Tuesday, 6 th	7 pm
3	Wednesday, 14 th	12 noon
4	Saturday, 17 th	10 am
5	Tuesday, 20 th	12 noon
6	Thursday, 22 nd	9.30 am
7	Wednesday, 28 th	12 noon

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP)

Information regarding our first Diocesan Natural Fertility Teacher Training in January 2019 is available at www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/marriage. For further information, please see poster in church porch.

FLAME CATHOLIC YOUTH EVENT

On 2nd March 2019 at the SSE Arena, Wembley from 12 noon - 5.30 pm. For young people aged 14 - 21 years (Year 10+) accompanied by parish youth leaders and priests. Tickets £23 pp. FREE coach from Reading (paid for by the parishes). Booking forms available in the church porch. Closing date extended for another two weeks. Please return forms and money to the Parish Office. Please see website www.cymfed.org.uk/flame. For details see www.cymfed.org.uk/flame or poster in church porch.



BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Year 7 Admissions September 2019. Remember to submit your Supplementary Information Form (SIF) to Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School so that your application can be ranked correctly. If you have any queries please contact Mrs Farrelly, Admissions Administrator via admissions@hughfaringdon.org or 0118 957 4730. *Deadline for applications via Local Authority is 31st October 2018.*

CLERK TO GOVERNORS VACANCY

For further information and an application pack, please contact Karyn Stiles, Human Resources Officer on 0118 918 3806 or email k.stiles@hughfaringdon.org. Closing date: Tuesday, 30th October 2018. Details also available on notice board in the church porch.

SVP PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Following the success of our Senior Citizens' Easter Party, we are pleased to announce that we will be having our very own Senior Citizens' Christmas Party. If you like the idea of spending a relaxing afternoon in the company of family and friends, sharing good food together, enjoying a spot of friendly competition and the chance to win a fantastic prize or two, then please join us on Saturday, 8th December from 1 - 4.30 pm in the large hall where we will be serving a hot Christmas roast lunch, with all the trimmings! There will also be plenty of entertainment to keep you all on your toes from carol singing, bingo and a few others which we are keeping up our sleeve! If you would like to join us, kindly put your name down on the sign-up sheet which you will find at the back of the church. For more information, please contact *Jack Ewins* on 07734 499190 or *Patrizia Chessell* on 07740 547922.

SCIENCE – OR – RELIGION? A SYMPOSIUM

A big diocesan Symposium is taking place on Saturday, 3rd November, 10 am – 4 pm in The Discovery Centre in Winchester (opposite St Peter's Church) on Science and Religion. Two leading scientists will ask whether recent research on the Universe suggests the existence of a Creator. There will also be a series of workshops led by experts on such topics as Christianity and Extra-Terrestrial Life, the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence and whether human consciousness is immortal. The Symposium is open to all, whether religious or not. See Portsmouth E-News for more details. Places are limited and bookings are now open at <https://portsmouthdiocese.eventbrite.co.uk>

CATHOLIC LEGACY WEEK:

1ST – 7TH NOVEMBER

Gifts in your will are a wonderful way you can continue to support the church's ministry and mission, and help meet the need of future generations. Do, please consider gifts to the church and catholic charities next time you up-date your will. Further information available at the back of the church.

PORTSMOUTH E-NEWS

Have you signed up for Bishop Philip's weekly e-News? Bishop Philip invites you to sign up for his FREE weekly e-Newsletter to keep in touch with the latest news and forthcoming events around the diocese. Visit www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews to sign up. You can also follow the Diocese on Facebook and Twitter. ***A printed copy of Portsmouth E-News is also available in the church porch.***

TALKS: 'What no eye has seen' Inspirations of the Christian spiritual masters (touching on questions around prayer) 12 sessions - with excerpts from writings at Douai Abbey 2.15 pm on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the Month. ALL WELCOME! Please contact *Fr Peter Bowe OSB* to book telephone no. 0118 971 5371 Email: peter@douaiabbey.org.uk

REMINDER: DROP- IN CENTRE & PARISH SVP COLLECTION

Our monthly collection for the Drop-in Centre and parish SVP will be held next Sunday, 4th November. The items that are most useful are listed below:

- Tea bags, instant coffee, sugar. (The Drop-in Centre is short of coffee).
- Tinned cold meats. Tinned vegetables.
- Tinned stew and casserole meats, meat balls.
- Tinned vegetarian meals. Tinned tuna.
- Tinned soup. Tinned hot dogs. Packets of soup and cuppa soup.
- Pasta sauces. Pasta. Rice.
- Family cereal. Tinned Fruit. Tinned rice.
- Warm coats (in good condition). Warm hats.
- Shower gel. Soap. Towels.

All donated food items must have a long "use by" date, to be of use. Please leave your donations in the Church porch next Sunday, 4th November. Thank you for your support with this collection. Any queries, please contact *Margaret Bailie* on 941 1483.

KNITWITS

Our next meeting will be at the home of Dorothy McMahon on Tuesday, 6th November at 2 pm.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Wednesday, 15th – 22nd May 2019. In the Footsteps of Jesus, visiting the Holy Sites in Jerusalem, Nazareth, the Dead Sea & more. Cost: £1,360 per person. 50 places. Flights from Heathrow. Deposit £250 per person. Led by Canons John O'Shea & Michael Dennehy. Apply to *St James', Reading* on 0118 957 4171 or email stjames@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. A trip of a lifetime - experience the land of the Old Testament and that of Jesus & His disciples. Applications to be in ASAP. Information evening on Friday, 16th November at 7.30 pm at St James'.



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